

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in this application and stand allowed by this Examiner. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 11 and 13 are currently amended.

Claim 1, line 7; claim 3, line 13; claim 11, line 9; and claim 13, line 12 have been amended to insert the word "reduced" before the phrase "cross sectional extent" to provide clear antecedent basis and to render the language consistent throughout the claims. Claim 3, line 13 has also been amended to remove the word "pin" as no longer being correct following the Examiner's Amendment. Claim 4, line 13 and claim 8, line 16 have been amended in each case to insert a "," to correct the punctuation following the insert by Examiner's Amendment.

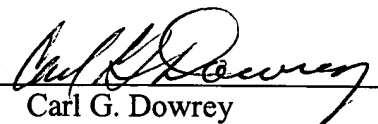
Claim 11, line 9 and claim 13, line 12 have been amended to insert the word "connector" after the phrase "terminal end" to provide clear antecedent basis and to render the language consistent throughout the claims.

The need for these changes and corrections was discovered only after receiving the Notice of Allowance and, since they do not change the scope of the claims, no additional searching is required and the claims remain allowable.

All of the claims in this application are now deemed to be in allowable form as amended herewith and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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